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EXECUTIVE ORDER AUTHORIZING THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE TO ADMINISTER THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT'S "HOME" PROGRAM

WHEREAS, Section 90-1-106, MCA, authorizes the Department of Commerce to promote research and development in housing planning design, production, conservation, rehabilitation and other matters relating to, or affecting the provision of, decent, safe and sanitary housing in a suitable living environment; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Executive Order 27-81, dated November 2, 1981, the Department of Commerce currently administers the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development's (HUD) Housing Assistance Payments Program;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, STAN STEPHENS, Governor of the State of Montana, pursuant to the Constitution and laws of the State of Montana, and specifically pursuant to section 17-3-105, MCA, hereby designate the Montana State Department of Commerce as the state agency authorized to participate in the HUD "HOME" program (24 CFR, Part 92) created under Title II (the Home Investment Partnership Program) of the National Affordable Housing Act of 1990. The director of the Department of Commerce is hereby authorized and directed to administer the HOME Program; to apply for and receive any and all grants of federal funds for which the Department may be eligible under the HOME Program; to execute all necessary applications, agreements, and documents; and to take all steps necessary and appropriate for the successful operation of the HOME Program.

This Order is effective immediately.

GIVEN under my hand and the GREAT SEAL of the State of Montana this 30th day of April, in the year of our LORD, one thousand, nine hundred and ninety-two.

STAN STEPHENS, Governor

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ATTEST:

WIKE COONEY, Secretary of State